HB 15-1033 created the STRATEGIC ACTION PLANNING GROUP ON AGING to study the impacts, both positive and negative, of the aging demographic shift through the year 2030 and produce a comprehensive Strategic Action Plan on Aging in Colorado. The plan is to be submitted by November 30, 2016 and updated by November 1, 2018 and 2020.

Governor Hickenlooper appointed 23 voting members with diverse backgrounds from throughout the state and the Planning Group has been meeting since August.

After creating a both a Mission and Vision statement, the Planning Group formed subcommittees to work on the issues and begin to formulate recommendations.

Mission: the Planning Group exists to produce a comprehensive strategic plan on aging in order to prepare our state for the wide-ranging effects of the demographic shift in Colorado's older adult population so that all Coloradans will age with dignity and optimum quality of life.

Vision: Colorado will be a place where all residents can maintain a healthy, mobile and vibrant life as they age.

The subcommittees include:

- Physical Community (includes mobility and housing)
- Workforce Development
- Health and Wellness
- Supportive Community (includes Long Term Care and community services)
- Family Economic Security (includes financial security, retirement and estate planning)
- Outreach and Communication
- Public Finance

The work of the Planning Group can be followed on the new website (www.colorado.gov/agingstrategy) and anyone interested can participate in committee work by signing up on the website or sending an E-mail to: agingstrategy@state.co.us

All Planning Group meetings are currently held in Denver and are open to the public. There is also a conference dial-in number: (712) 432-0360 (Access Code: 216470#)